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Rebecca Hotze
Bureau of Land Management
Salt Lake Field Office
2370 South 2300 West
Salt Lake City, Utah 84119

Subject: Second Request for Concurrence on Partial Bond Release, Interstate Brick Company, Smokey Joe Mine, M/049/0002, Utah County, Utah

Dear Ms. Hotze:

The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining is currently processing a proposal from Interstate Brick to reduce the reclamation surety for the Smokey Joe mine from \$62,400.00 to \$4,900.00. This partial release is for earthwork and grading that have been completed, and the remaining surety would be to ensure successful revegetation. This amount will be held until vegetation growth is successful (typically three growing seasons). A copy of the inspection report documenting the reclamation work was sent with a previous letter.

The Division would like to expedite this request and has made several calls to the BLM office requesting concurrence with this reduction in the surety amount.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact April Abate at 801-538-5214 or me at 801-538-5261 if you have questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker
Minerals Program Manager

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Cc: Interstate Brick

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